

REMARKS:

The applicant selects the Species II for examination.

§1.475 Unity of invention before the International Searching Authority, the International Preliminary Examining Authority and during the national stage.

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An international and a national stage application shall relate to one invention only or to a group of inventions so linked as to form a single general inventive concept ("requirement of unity of invention"). **Where a group of inventions is claimed in an application, the requirement of unity of invention shall be fulfilled only when there is a technical relationship among those inventions involving one or more of the same or corresponding special technical features.** The expression "special technical features" shall mean those technical features that define a contribution which each of the claimed inventions, considered as a whole, makes over the prior art.

The Species I (claims 1-2), Species II (claims 4-14) and Species III (claims 15-23 and 25) are a group of invention of claimed in an application as:

There is a technical relationship among those inventions involving one or more of the same or corresponding special technical features that "inner container is disposed on the bottom of the body, a funnel is provided on an up-port of the inner container, a filtrating up-layer and a filtrating down-layer are arranged in the funnel".

Therefore, the Species I, II and III can be joined in an invention.

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